

## FARM BUREAU ELECTS MOODY AS PRESIDENT

Board of Directors of Agricultural Association in Meeting This Morning.

William Moody of Coe township was elected president of the Rock Island county farm bureau at a meeting of the board of directors this morning in the supervisors' rooms at the court house. He succeeds John Lipton, who declined to serve another term. Other officers elected are as follows:

Vice president—Ben Bollman, Rural.  
Secretary—Charles Larson, South Moline.

Treasurer—Claus Clark, Bowling. Executive committee—Ben Bollman, Thomas Curtis, Conrad Mueller, Frank Wake, C. J. Golden, John Woodburn, C. J. Searle.

The membership of the bureau is meeting this afternoon. Z. M. Holms, vice president of the Illinois Agricultural association, was scheduled for a talk.

## RED CROSS HAS 1663 MEMBERS

Totals for Campaign Are Announced—Number Is Half as Small as Year Ago.

Latest figures of the Red Cross membership drive in Rock Island show that 1663 have renewed or taken new memberships in the organization. A few memberships are being mailed in daily, but these will not only boost the totals slightly.

H. S. Cable, chairman of the drive, and the members of the Red Cross who aided in the campaign are pleased with the results, although the enrollment is less than half as small as a year ago. The intensive campaign was waged in this city on Nov. 13, 15 and 17, at which time booths were established in the downtown stores. Since then the campaign has been going on by subscriptions to the workers.

The majority of the memberships are renewals. A year ago the totals reached nearly the 4,000 mark.

## NAMES WOMAN AS ARBITRATOR

Illinois Industrial Commission Selects First of Sex to Important Appointment.

Springfield, Ill., Dec. 1.—Delayed with letters from leading women's organizations, not only of Illinois, but of the entire country, the Illinois industrial commission today laid aside its prejudice against women as arbitrator and appointed Miss Harriette Reid to the place. She is the first woman in the state to hold such an office.

Appointment of Miss Reid, which she had previously been denied simply because she is a woman, came today after Governor Lowden had called Omer H. Custer of Rockford, a member of the industrial commission, into conference. Miss Reid stood highest on the civil service list for the job the governor was told, but appointment had been withheld because of the nature of the work.

Constant Traveling.  
It requires constant traveling. Mr. Custer said, which the commission thought a woman unfitted for. The climax of the fight against that ruling came when Chicago women's clubs threatened legislative investigation in a letter to the governor, and then decided to call on leading women in the movement to appear before Governor Lowden and the civil service commission Dec. 7. Investigation by the governor showed that the civil service commission, in response to a request to the industrial commission had held another examination a week ago Saturday for new candidates for the position. Miss Reid took that test too and got a grade above 90.

Ex-service men took the test and would have been put ahead of her if that examination stood, Miss Reid said.

## GOODRICH LINE CHANGES HANDS

Chicago, Dec. 1.—(United Press.)—Ownership of the Goodrich Transit company, oldest and largest steamship company operating on the Great Lakes, today passed from Albert W. Goodrich to H. W. Thorp and associates. The new organization is reported to have paid \$1,000,000 to Goodrich for his interests.

The company operates six of the largest vessels on the lakes. The associates with Thorp, who becomes president of the new organization, include large interests in Manitowish, Wis., Chicago and Muskegon, Mich., and old employees and heads of departments of the concern.

Thorp entered the employ of the company as a clerk, was private secretary to Goodrich and later became general manager and vice president of the company.

A few months ago in Brown's business college this winter will be the first time in the history of the school that a class of students will be organized.

## Obituary

Nelson L. La Grange.

Nelson L. La Grange, aged 69, 1109 Eighth avenue, after having been in poor health for a number of months, died at 2:10 o'clock this morning. Mr. La Grange was born July 29, 1851, in Albany, N. Y., and had been a resident of Rock Island for many years.

Surviving are the widow, Mrs. Emily La Grange; three daughters, Mrs. Claude Whitney, Toledo, Ohio; Mrs. Elsie Williams, Detroit, Mich.; Mrs. J. C. Taylor, Rock Island; two sons, Howard and Roy La Grange, of Rock Island; one brother, Norman La Grange, Pleasant Valley, Iowa, and four sisters, Mrs. Louis Cloy, Des Moines; Mrs. Cornelia Berkey, Marengo, Iowa; Mrs. Margaret Patterson, Santa Fe, N. M., and Mrs. Hattie Koehler, of Los Angeles, Cal.

The remains are at the Knox chapel. Funeral services will be held at 2 o'clock Friday afternoon at the chapel, with interment in Chippewa cemetery.

Funeral of Magdalene Haus. The funeral of Magdalene Haus, 1915 Tenth street, was held at 9 o'clock this morning at St. Mary's church in Moline. Father Joseph S. Kelly officiated. Burial was made at Calvary cemetery. The pallbearers were Frank Blochinger, Christian Drexel, Frank Wich, Joseph Valentine and Albert Hofer.

## AUGIE STARTS DEBATE SEASON

Nine Contestants Selected From 17 to Represent College in Annual Debating Season.

Seventeen contestants reported last evening in the library lecture room of Augustana college for the debate preliminaries and nine of the contestants were chosen to represent the school in the big debate of the season, which will be held early in March. Places awarded are:

First—Lester Palmer.  
Second—Cyrus Churchill.  
Third—Earl Hanson.  
Fourth—Barbara Garst.  
Fifth—P. Fryxell.  
Sixth—Melvin Lundeen.  
Seventh—Carrie Ekblad.  
Eighth—Edwin Munson.  
Ninth—Howard Anderson.

The first six chosen will represent the debating team proper, while the remaining three members will be used as alternates. This preliminary debate was held with the purpose of selecting members of the debating team who will represent Augustana in the annual triangular debate held between Augustana, Illinois college of Jacksonville and Monmouth college. Last year Augustana suffered a defeat from both of these teams, but Prof. Schersten, coach of the Augustana team, expects to turn the tables this year.

Three Mollins succeeded in landing places among the first six chosen. Cyrus Churchill was awarded second place and Barbara Garst and P. Fryxell were awarded fourth and fifth places, respectively. These three pupils are known in high schools of the tri-cities as competent debaters and will have a large part in the debates of Augustana this season.

## DALRYMPLE IS FOR LIQUOR MEN

Chicago, Dec. 1.—(United Press.)—A. V. Dalrymple, former prohibition enforcement officer for the Great Lakes division, today appeared as representative of alleged liquor dealers.

Dalrymple, who retired several weeks ago from his government job, had a writ served on the present holder of the position, Frank Richardson, to show cause why 131 barrels of liquor seized from the Victor Cohen Tobacco company here should not be returned.

New classes are now forming at Brown's Business college. This is your opportunity to prepare for a good position in the future. Phone R. I. 1974 for information.—(Adv.)

## NEWS BUREAU TO MEET OPEN SHOP FAVORED

Ways and means of establishing and maintaining a publicity bureau for the purpose of combating propaganda on the open shop work discussed at a meeting of representatives of 35 organizations comprising the Tri-City Federation of Labor last night. The meeting was given over to a general discussion of the plan, which it is believed offers the most effective means of meeting the nation-wide campaign of the open-shop adherents. The executive committee of the Tri-City Federation of Labor has the matter under investigation and will be prepared to report at the next meeting, which is scheduled for Dec. 29.

## CRANOR DENIES SANDS' CHARGE

Witness Gives Sensational Testimony At Shipping Board Inquiry—\$40,000 Bribe.

New York, Dec. 1.—John Cranor, assistant to the head of the Wallace Downey Ship Building corporation, today denied allegations of Tucker K. Sands, former Washington banker, before the congressional committee investigating shipping board affairs, that he knew anything of a division of a \$40,000 "bribe" fund for procuring contracts of the board, in connection with which the name of R. W. Bolling, shipping board treasurer, and brother-in-law of President Wilson, had been mentioned.

Cranor testified that while he was in Washington the Providence company was endeavoring to procure a contract for the construction of 10 tug boats, and that he learned that the financial standing of the concern was "not satisfactory to the credit department of the shipping board."

Cranor said that after he had informed Mr. Downey of this he was sent to Washington to arrange a credit for the Providence company and took the matter to Sands, who was then vice president and cashier of a Washington bank. This institution, through Sands, then issued a credit letter to the extent of \$125,000 to the shipping board for the Providence Engineering corporation.

Agreed to Pay \$40,000. The witness said that he had agreed to pay Sands \$40,000 for arranging this credit.

Mr. Downey and Sands eventually settled the payment, Cranor said. In reply to a question Cranor said he did not think \$40,000 an excessive fee to pay for Sands' services, explaining that the entire contract amounted to more than \$2,000,000 and pointing to the alleged fact that Mr. Downey eventually settled with Sands for \$25,000 or about 1 per cent which was about as cheaply as he could expect to do it.

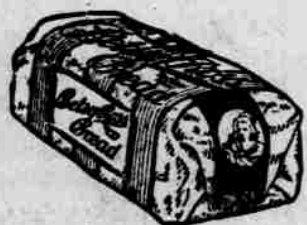
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## Personal Points

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Rosser of Milan are the parents of a daughter, born this morning. The little miss is welcomed by two brothers, Kenneth and Wayne.  
C. J. Fahney, who has been visiting friends for the last several days in the tri-cities, leaves this evening for Benedict, Kan., to visit his brother, F. J. Fahney.

## TROOPS WRECK I-CHANG PORT

Shanghai, China, Dec. 1.—(Associated Press).—Messages received by business houses here today report that the troops in I-Chang, a treaty port of Hu-Peh province, have mutilated, seized and set fire to the city and are looting it.

The messages, which were received by the Robert Dollar company and the British-American Tobacco company, state that the troops wrecked the banks and foreign business establishments of I-Chang, which has a population of about forty thousand. The foreigners in the city number about one hundred.

## Unique Stunts For Coming Club Party

BY THE POLICE REPORTER.

"Say, you," yoked the city editor last P. M. as I was slapping the cover on my old mill preparing to call it another day. "There's something going to break one of these days at the Rock Island club over on Nineteenth street, and this paper ought to know about it. I've sent four reporters around to buzz the officers of that organization, but they all have returned without a story. Now it's up to you. If you need police assistance, get it. But we want to pry the story loose, if there is one, and I know that there is."

Thus instructed, I went forth. I'll admit I'm a good police reporter.

Therefore I've the goods on the Rock Island club.

All you care to know, if you are a member of the club, is that there is to be a party at the club the night of Dec. 11. That's Saturday. And, oh boy, it's to be some party. It so happens that I'm not a member of the club, but if I can get enough jack together in the next week I'm going to file an application in order to be in on the entertainment that I have heard is to be staged the night of Dec. 11.

It's to be a stag, and for members only. You know there are over

four hundred on the membership rolls of the club today, and new ones are coming in daily.

In other years the club used to have periodical stags, and they were immense. The members got together and called one another by their first names, and there wasn't any stiffness or formality when the boys met each other. That's the way a fellow ought to behave, I take it, at a regular club. But I almost forgot to tell what I heard about the stag that is to be put on the night of Dec. 11. Several committees have been appointed and they are now engaged in working out the details of the program.

I am sworn not to reveal the sources of my information, but when I tell you that it is to be about the classiest and most unique party ever staged in Rock Island I'm not telling you an untruth.

The various committees are pledged to secrecy concerning the entertainment features in order to give the members a surprise the night of the party, but I'm going to spill the beans because it's a newspaper's duty to get the news, and this coming party is real news, believe me.

In addition to the musical features—for instance there is to be a negro jazz band—there are to be a

number of athletic events. One of these is to be a wrestling match between Sam Lamont and Gus Tegeler, catch-as-catch-can style. Those knowing the two men may be surprised that Mr. Tegeler would agree to appear on the mat with one so large as Mr. Lamont, but my informant says that Mr. Tegeler has developed remarkable muscular speed and power since he has learned to push the lawn mower and hoe the cabbage on his newly acquired estate in the bluff section of the city. Be that as it may, I have it on reliable authority that from this match between Tegeler and Lamont, Ben, it will be recalled by old timers, appeared on the stage of Harper's theatre in this city with Dan McLeod in 1896.

And there is to be a chicken show—now you're wrong again—at the club stag. Real birds have been signed up, and they are to do some stunts that will stir your sporting blood.

Another stunt that it is said will score heavily will be Dr. J. R. Hollowbush in his famous single act, "Ajax Defying the Lightning."

J. M. Ryan will discuss the evolution of the hot dog.

Dan Ward will give imitations of wild animals that he encountered during his last trip to South Africa. I got tips on a number of other things that it is said will happen at the club stag, but I have decided not to tell any more at this writing. I'm hot on the trail of several other bits of information that doubtless would be interesting to the club

membership, and may be of value to the visitors in attendance at the stag. But I have learned that members of the club—and if they have any other engagements looking for the night of Dec. 11, don't fail to be at the club, if going to be a real night.

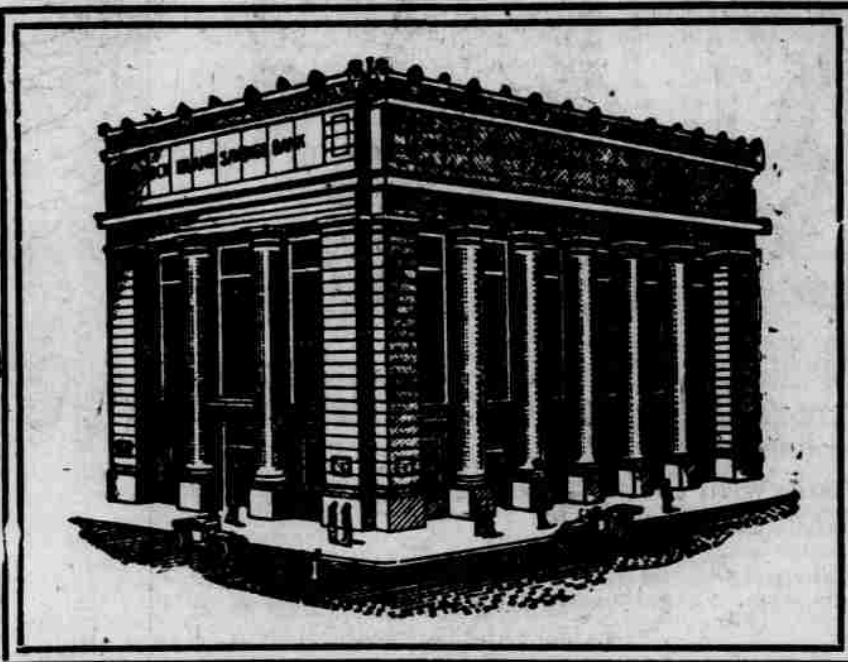
## OLDEST ELK IN STATE EXPOSED

George Hyde Simpson, President of Shrine and R. F. O. E. in Peoria.

Peoria, Ill., Dec. 1.—George Hyde Simpson, oldest member of the Peoria lodge of the Shrine, and oldest Elk in Illinois, died today following an illness of a week. He came to Peoria from Peoria, Ill., where he conducted a business. He was a thirty-second degree Mason, a member of the Shrine, and the Oriental Order of the Eastern Star.

He was also Past Exalted Master of Peoria Lodge of Elks, and a long time, district deputy. The body will be taken to Peoria, Ill., for burial.

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